Lauds Propers

Tuesday Week III

29 Mar 2011

Invitatory Psalm Antiphon

Come, today, and listen to his voice: do not harden your *hearts.*

First Psalm

Psalm 84

Our salvation is very near

Cantor: Lord, you blessed your land; you forgave the guilt of your peo*ple.*

East Choir:
You looked kindly, O Lord, on **your** land: *
you ended the captivity of Ja*cob.*
You forgave your people's unright**eous**ness *
and covered over their *sins.*
You reined back all of your **an**ger *
and renounced your indignant fu*ry.*
Lord, you blessed your land; you forgave the guilt of your peo*ple.*

West Choir:
Rescue us, God, our **sav**iour, *
and turn your anger away from *us.*
Do not be angry for **ev**er *
– or will you let your wrath last from one generation to the *next?*
Surely you will turn round and give us life *
– so that your people can rejoice in *you?*
Show us, Lord, your **kind**ness *
and give us your salva*tion.*
Lord, you blessed your land; you forgave the guilt of your peo*ple.*

East Choir:
I will listen to whatever the Lord God **tells** me, *
for he will speak peace to his people and his chosen ones,
and to those who repent in their *hearts.*
Truly his salvation is close to those who **fear** him, *
so that glory may dwell in our *land.*
Kindness and faithfulness have met to**ge**ther, *
justice and peace have *kissed.*
Faithfulness has sprung from **the** earth, *
and justice has looked down from hea*ven.*
Lord, you blessed your land; you forgave the guilt of your peo*ple.*

West Choir:
Truly the Lord will give gene**rous**ly, *
and our land will be fruit*ful.*
Justice will walk be**fore** him *
and place its footsteps on his *path.*

Full Choir:
(profound bow)
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy **Spi**rit, *
as it was in the beginning is now,
and ever shall be world without end. A*men.*

Cantor: Show us your mercy, Lord; our misery is known to us. May no evil desires prevail over us, for your glory and love dwell in our hearts.

Full Choir: Lord, you blessed your land; you forgave the guilt of your peo*ple.*

Canticle

Isaiah 26

Thanksgiving for victory

Cantor: At night my soul longs for you; I watch for you at day*break.*

East Choir: The city **is** ours, *
with its walls and ramparts,
a refuge and strong*hold.*
Open the gates, let the just people **en**ter, *
the nation that keeps *faith.*

West Choir: The agreement is made: you will **keep** peace, *
for peace is entrusted to *you.*
Trust in the Lord for all **a**ges, *
for the Lord is your strength for e*ver.*

East Choir: The way of the just **is** straight; *
you smooth the straight path of the *just.*
As we follow the path of your **judge**ments, *
we put all our trust in you, *Lord.*
Our soul's one **de**sire *
is your name and your memo*ry.*
My soul longs for you **at** night, *
my desire for you leaves me breath*less.*
When your judgements shine out on **the** earth – *
then the peoples of the world will know your jus*tice.*

West Choir: Lord, you will give **us** peace, *
for all you have done, you did for *us.*

Full Choir: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy **Spi**rit, *
(profound bow) as it was in the beginning is now,
and ever shall be world without end. A*men.*

Full Choir: At night my soul longs for you; I watch for you at day*break.*

Second Psalm

Psalm 67

All peoples, praise the Lord

Cantor: Lord, let your face shed its light upon *us.*

East Choir: O God, take pity on us and **bless** us, *
and let your face shine upon *us,*
so that your ways may be known across **the** world, *
and all nations learn of your salva*tion.*
Lord, let your face shed its light upon *us.*

West Choir: Let the peoples praise you, **O** God, *
let all the peoples praise *you.*
Let the nations be glad and **re**joice, *
for you judge the peoples with fairness
and you guide the nations of the *earth.*
Lord, let your face shed its light upon *us.*

East Choir: Let the peoples praise you, **O** God, *
let all the peoples praise *you.*
The earth has produced its **har**vest: *
may God, our God, bless *us.*
May God **bless** us, *
may the whole world revere *him.*

Full Choir: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy **Spi**rit, *
(profound bow) as it was in the beginning is now,
and ever shall be world without end. A*men.*

Cantor: Be gracious and bless us, Lord, and let your face shed its light on us, so that we can make you known with reverence and bring forth a harvest of justice.

Full Choir: Lord, let your face shed its light upon *us.*

Reading

Joel 2:12-13

Lector: Come back to me with all your heart, fasting, weeping, mourning. Let your hearts be broken, not your garments torn, turn to the Lord your God again, for he is all tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in graciousness, and ready to relent.

(Silent Reflection)

Responsory

Lector: He himself will free me from the hunter's snare.
Full Choir: – *He himself will free me from the hunter's snare.*
Lector: And from evil slander.
Full Choir: – *He himself will free me from the hunter's snare.*
Lector: (all: profound bow) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
Full Choir: – *He himself will free me from the hunter's snare.*

Benedictus Antiphon

'I do not tell you, Peter, to forgive seven times, but seventy times seven,' says the *Lord.*

Intercessions

Lector: Let us bless Christ, who gave himself to us as bread coming down from heaven.
Let us address our prayers to him: – *Christ, you are food and medicine for the soul, make us strong.*

Full Choir: – *Christ, you are food and medicine for the soul, make us strong.*

Lector: Lord, make us who are fed at the Eucharistic feast
have a full share in the gifts of the Paschal sacrifice.

Full Choir: – *Christ, you are food and medicine for the soul, make us strong.*

Lector: Give us the gift of keeping your word in good and perfect hearts
patiently, until it bears fruit within us.

Full Choir: – *Christ, you are food and medicine for the soul, make us strong.*

Lector: Make us eager to work with you to bring perfect order to the world,
so that your Church may more easily spread your message of peace.

Full Choir: – *Christ, you are food and medicine for the soul, make us strong.*

Lector: We have sinned, Lord, we have sinned:
wipe out our sins with your saving grace.

Full Choir: – *Christ, you are food and medicine for the soul, make us strong.*

Prayer

Lord, you call us to your service and continue your saving work among us. May your love never abandon us. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.